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# WHOLESALE CATALOGUE AND PRICE LIST

## GRAY'S NURSERY

BOX 85—R. F. D. NO. 4 SALEM, INDIANA

FRUIT TREES, BERRY PLANTS, CUTTINGS, ETC.

Our Future Junior  
Partner

THE HALF-PRICE NURSERY RECEIVED

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BUDDING CHERRY TREES

Our Specialties are Choice Blackberry Plants and Root Cuttings, Raspberry and Strawberry Plants of all standard varieties. Apple, Peach, Cherry, Shade Trees and Ornamentals.

THIRTY YEARS EXPERIENCE WITH PLANTS AND TREES

# Greetings To Our Customers

In this, our silent and only salesman, let us explain why we can and do sell the very best stock at one-half the usual price. We travel NO AGENTS, but give our customers the advantage of the 50% usually paid to agents. We issue NO EXPENSIVE CATALOGUES, but a plain list of facts and figures. We sell STRICTLY FOR CASH, therefore have NO BAD ACCOUNTS to charge to the more honest customers who make it a point to pay as they go. We are situated where good land and reliable labor are cheap. We hire no help except such as will look to the best interests of our customers, as their interests are also ours.

We own our land, berry fields, nurseries, packing grounds, etc., and have no rents, leases or interests to charge to our customers. We have NO SAN JOSE SCALE or other insect enemies to fight. We grow our stock on new soil, requiring but little fertilizer, which makes the very best possible root system, and but very few scrubs or culls. We get our mail delivered direct to our office from Salem, Ind., and our telegraph or telephone orders from Salem, Ind., care of Cumberland Telephone Co. Our packing ground is located on line of C. I. & L. R. R., and we ship promptly. We box and pack all stock in the best possible manner and place on board cars here FREE OF CHARGE.

If you want stock in large quantities, or care to let your neighbors club in with you, write us for special inducements. We furnish CLEAN CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION with every shipment.

## CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION

No. 119. September 19th, 1916. This is to certify that the nursery stock grown by Gray's Nursery located at Salem, Indiana, has been inspected by the undersigned or his authorized representative, on September 13th, 1916, in compliance with Chapter 177, page 291, Indiana Acts of 1907, and has been found apparently free from destructively injurious insects and plant diseases. It is understood and agreed that neither this certificate nor a copy thereof shall be used to attach to a package or parcel of trees or other living plants to be shipped by mail into states where provisions have been made for the inspection of imported trees or plants at destination. This certificate covers general nursery stock and is valid, unless revoked for cause, until June 1st, 1917.

Signed, FRANK N. WALLACE, State Entomologist

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We guarantee all stock by express to arrive in good condition; when by freight we send you receipt that same was received by the railroad company in good shape. Further than this we can not go, and mention this because there is occasionally a "FREAK" who would expect us to guarantee stock to live without any care or cultivation, on any kind of poor soil and through drouths and all other unfavorable conditions beyond our control. Therefore, it is mutually understood and agreed between our customers and ourselves that we give no further guarantee, either expressed or implied. All claims to be valid must be made within ten days from date of shipment, to give us time to take the matter up with the express company.

We agree to exercise all possible care to keep varieties true to name, and in case any mistakes occur we will replace at half price, and it is hereby mutually agreed that we shall not be liable in any other way whatsoever. The acceptance of goods must be on above conditions and is a waiver to everything to the contrary.

Wishing the greatest success to our thousands of old as well as new customers and soliciting a part of your future business.

**GRAY'S NURSERY,**

ALVIA G. GRAY, Salem, Ind., R. D. No. 4

# AS TO VARIETIES

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While we grow almost all standard varieties of both fruit trees and berry plants, we list only a few of the most important kinds. If you want varieties not listed here, write us; we have them if they are worth growing.

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## Standard Apple Trees

No. 1—5 to 6 ft., at 25 cents. Mammoth Black Twig, MacIntosh, Early Harvest, North Western Greening, Jannett, Wealthy, Delicious, Staymen's Wine Sap, Wine Sap, Jonithan, Maiden Blush, Black Ben Davis, Tulpehocken, Bell Flower, Benoni, Ben Davis, Rome Beauty, Grimes' Golden, Banana, Yellow Transparent, Talman's Sweet.

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## Standard Peach Trees

No. 1—5 to 6 ft., at 15 cents. Elberta, Old Mixon, Heath Cling, Golden Gem, Crawford's, Iron Mountain, Gold Drop, Hoosier Cling, Chinese Cling, Lemon Cling, Blood Cling, Etc.

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## Special Varieties of Peach Trees

FLEENOR—the very largest peach grown, a white cling with a red cheek and of exceptional merit, owing to the fact that it is perhaps the most hardy peach under cultivation, extra fine flavored fruit and is so firm that it can be shipped to very distant markets. We saw them sell on the Louisville market last fall at five cents each or four to five dollars per bushel at the commission houses.

The tree is immensely productive and has the rather unusual trait of reproducing true from the seed. We believe it is the best peach in existence for canning and all other purposes.

No. 1—5 to 6 ft., at 25 cents each or five for \$1.00.

WINTER KEEPER—This peach marks a new era in producing a variety that will with proper handling keep long after the last of peach season. It represents the nearest approach to a winter peach we have ever seen and its season is latest of all peaches and has rather tough skin and solid flesh, much like an apple, it can be kept till almost Christmas. Very large, good flavor, white to pinkish color, annual bearer, very productive and entirely hardy and a great favorite here.

No. 1—5 to 6 ft., 25 cents each or five for \$1.00.

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## Standard Pear Trees

No. 1—5 to 6 ft., at 35 cents. Kieffer, Garber, Bartlett, Duchess, Etc. Very nice and straight.

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## Standard Varieties of Plum

No. 1—5 to 6 ft., at 35 cents. Damson, Shippers' Pride, Wild Goose, Burbank, Abundance, Etc.



## Standard Varieties of Cherry Trees

No. 1—Select, 4 to 5 ft., at 35 cents. Early Richmond, Montmorency, Dye House, May Duke, Etc. Extra nice trees.

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## SMALL FRUITS

**RASPBERRY—THE HOOSIER BLACK CAP.** This grand berry stands first, not only in our list, but also as a money maker. It has no equal as to productiveness, hardiness and healthy growth of cane and size, color and flavor of fruit. Berries sell at \$1.00 a gallon on the average; it is "A pocketbook filler." All of the leading nurseries are listing it and it is classed far ahead of Cumberland by our best commercial growers. If you want additional proofs, write us.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture requested us to send plants of this remarkable berry for a government test several years ago, which we did, and they were fully tested at their Arlington Gardens. Results were so satisfactory that they published a fine, full page plate in natural colors and a full page description in the Year Book of 1910. Among other things "Uncle Sam" said: "The cluster illustrated in plate 36 was grown by A. G. Gray, Salem, Ind., who has long been interested in producing hardy and disease-resistant varieties and has planted large numbers of raspberry seeds with this end in view. Mr. Gray originated the Hoosier raspberry as a result of a definite effort to produce a variety both very hardy and resistant to Anthracnose. It has proved free from disease, vigorous, productive and hardy, bearing good crops of fruit under very unfavorable climatic conditions and when most other varieties failed. Berries roundish, large to very large in size, borne in clusters of 15 to 18 or more fruits and easily detached from small receptacles, drupes large, glossy black, flesh dark, meaty, solid, firm, moderately juicy; flavor subacid with pleasant aroma, good quality. The bush is a strong, vigorous grower and possesses an unusual degree of hardiness." We give the government's description, because it is accurate and unbiased.

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### TELEGRAM

Chicago, Ill.

ALVIA G. GRAY, Salem, Ind.

Your Hoosier sold six dollars per case today. Average sales for season one dollar per gallon.

DECKER BROS.,

Commission Merchants.

Strong plants, \$1.00 per dozen, prepaid. \$3.90 per 100 by express; \$8.00 per 500; \$15.00 per 1,000. Try the HOOSIER!

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CUMBERLAND BLACK CAP—\$1.25 per 100; \$6.00 per 500; \$10.00 per 1,000.

KANSAS BLACK CAP—\$3.50 per 1,000.

PLUM FARMER—\$10.00 per 1,000.

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## BLACKBERRIES

**GRAY'S PERFECTION**—Perfectly hardy, even at extreme North. An extra rank grower of strong canes that stand up well; fruit jet black and glossy, very large, oblong shape, very firm, even when fully ripe; the berries hang in great clusters, and have the excellent flavor of the Wilson, but a decided improvement over all other varieties, having withstood 35 below zero. Season medium to late.

Price \$1.00 per dozen; \$3.00 per 100; \$8.00 per 500; \$15.00 per 1000.

EARLY HARVEST blackberry plants, select grade, at \$5.00 per 1000.

SNYDER—No. 1 plants at \$6.00 per 1000.

MERSEREAU, WILSON AND LOVETT'S BEST, blackberry plants, best grade, at \$8.00 per 1000.

## Select Blackberry Root Cuttings

These are standard length, recalloused, hand-graded root cuttings, put up in the very best shape, and we are selling hundreds of thousands to the leading nurseries and to the most progressive commercial growers throughout the United States, who prefer them to ordinary plants.

Prices—Early Harvest at \$1.00 per 1000; Snyder, at \$1.50 per 1000; Mersereau, Wilson and Lovett's Best, at \$2.00 per 1000; Gray's Perfection, at \$2.50 per 1000. (See cut last page.)

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## Strawberry Plants

We desire to call special attention to the fact that all of our plants and trees as well, are grown on new soil, admirably well suited to the production of a splendid root system, and our plants, strawberry especially, have large, strong crowns and that excellent root system so necessary to start plants to growing as soon as set in their new home.

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OUR DOLLAR MARK STRAWBERRY easily takes first place in the ranks of our best market berries. The plant is large and stocky, an excellent grower and plant maker, entirely free from rust. It is a perfect bloomer and its long, vigorous roots, renders it resistant of both drouth and freezing; berries very large and perfectly even in shape and holds out perfect to the end of the season. NO BUTTONS.

Outclasses Gandy as a solid shipper and will produce four times as many berries per acre; it is the least injured by frost and the best and most profitable berry we have ever grown; by all means plant some Dollar Mark.

Price . . . . . Owing to our large stock of plants and that we wish to bring it to the notice of the greatest possible number of fruit growers, we are for a limited time offering select plants at the greatly reduced price of \$1.00 per 100; \$3.00 per 500 and \$5.00 per 1000.

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In the "Variety Test" conducted by Purdue University Agricultural Experimental Station, (Bulletin No. 164) our Dollar Strawberry ranked first, as superior to all late berries, where 129 varieties were tested. We give the Station's description.

GRAY'S DOLLAR STRAWBERRY—Berry large, uniform, dull red; flesh salmon, streaked, mild subacid, firm, fine grained, quality good; shipping quality good; core salmon, partly hollow; calyx large, medium adherent; seeds medium to large, depressed to protrusive. Plant fairly vigorous with foliage medium in size and color; runners numerous; yield above medium; first bloom May 3, full May 19; first fruit ripe June 4; season 27 days.

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WARFIELD, (Imp.) at \$3.00 per 1000.

SENATOR DUNLAP, (Per ) at \$3.00 per 1000.

AROMA, (Per.) at \$3.00 per 1000.

HAVERLAND, (Imp.) at \$3.00 per 1000.

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## Huckleberry or Blueberry

GIANT BUSH is an upright grower, perfectly hardy everywhere, easy to cultivate and immensely productive, of the most lucious and highly flavored berries in existence. It is attracting a great deal of attention throughout the country at present and nothing in either large or small fruit comes anyways near equaling it as a dessert or for pies, preserves, canning or eating out of hand. No fruit farm or garden is complete without it.

NOTE—Do not confuse this berry with the worthless "garden huckleberry or wonderberry." Ours is the Blueberry of commerce, always quoted in market reports at 50c to 75c per gallon.

Strong plants \$1.00 per dozen; \$3.00 per 100; \$6.00 per 500; \$10 per 1000.

GOOSEBERRY—Downing and Houghton at 15 cents each, \$6.00 per 50; \$10 per 100.

CURRENTS—Fays, Red Cross, Pomona, Perfection, White Grape and Lee's Black; 15 cents each; \$6.00 per 50; \$10.00 per 100.

GRAPE—Concord, Delaware, Woodruff, Agawam, Niagara, Moore's Early, Brighton, etc., at 10 cents each; \$1.00 per dozen; \$6.00 per 100.

ASPARAGUS—Strong two year plants. Palmetto and Conover's Colossal, at 75 cents per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

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## SHADE TREES—SELECT

6 to 10 ft., at 50 cents. Soft Maple, Hard Maple, Carolina Poplar, Elm, Linden and Catalpa; well rooted, with straight, shapely tops.

### Ornamental Shade Trees

Silver Maple, Hard Maple, Golden Poplar, Carolina Poplar, White Elm, American Elm, Silver Linn, White Flowering Dog Wood, White Pine, American Pine, Blue Cedar. 5 to 6 ft., select trees 35 cents; three for \$1.00; \$3.50 per dozen.

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## SHRUBBERY

Catalpa Burgei, Weeping Mulberry, No. 1, at 75 cents each.

California Privet, Amoor River Privet; strong two year plants, at \$7.50 per 100.

Hydrangea (P. G.), Hydrangea Aborens, Lilacs, Dentzias, Coralberry, Spireas, Honeysuckles, Golden Bells, Calycanthus, Althaea, White Fringe, etc., two year strong plants, at 25 cents.

ROSES—American Beauty, Crimson Rambler, White Rambler, Tennessee Belle, Dorothy Perkins, Madam Plantier, Dr. Van Fleet and Thousand Beauties; strong two year vines, No. 1, at 25 cents.

BULBS—Dahlias in all of the best colors, and Gladiolas. No. 1 bulbs; blooming size at 10 cents each; \$1.00 per dozen.

CANNAS—We have the best line of Cannas in this state, including ten varieties with every known color and blending of colors in both flowers and foliage. These are the fancy imported kinds, some of them attaining a height of eight feet. All blooming freely from the first of July till freezing weather. After searching all over the world for the finest, we decided on the following varieties:

GLADIATOR—3 ft., yellow and red.

VENUS—4 ft., rosy pink and cream yellow.

EGANDALE—4 ft., red foliage and flowers.

DAVID HARUM—Bronze foliage and bright vermilion flowers.

FLORENCE VAUGHN—5 ft., canary yellow flowers dotted with red.

KATE GRAY—6 ft., carmine flowers.

KING HUMBERT—7 ft., red foliage and bright cherry red flowers.

HON. BENJ. F. HOWELL—7½ ft., red silky foliage and extra large red flowers.

WYOMING—8 ft., rich purple foliage and orange scarlet flowers.

Strong three eye bulbs 10 cents, \$1.00 per dozen.



# TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

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## THE FRUIT GROWING PUBLIC IN PARTICULAR:

We, the business men of Pekin, Ind., Borden, Ind., and Salem, Ind., most heartily recommend Alvia G. Gray, who is the leading Nurseryman of our locality, growing a full line of all standard varieties of fruit trees and berry plants true to name. Personally we know him to be strictly honest and straightforward and will give everyone a "Square Deal." He specializes in small fruits, having originated several varieties of berry plants that have given him, as well as this section of the country, a national reputation, as producing the finest berries in the world.

### PEKIN, IND.

G. M. Johnson, Merchant  
J. W. Heistand, Cashier Citizens' Bank  
W. D. Green, M. D.  
Roy E. Zink, Merchant  
Thos. Bellows, President Citizens' Bank

### BORDEN, IND.

Murray S. Wilson, Cashier Borden State Bank  
C. E. McKinley, Pres. Borden State Bank  
A. E. Olmstead, Publisher Clark County Sentinel.

### SALEM, IND.

Berkey Bros., Merchants  
Volney T. Reid, Merchant

John B. Clark, Merchant  
Bank of Salem

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From Republican Leader, Salem, Ind.

Mr. Alvia G. Gray is rapidly becoming one of the foremost growers of nursery stock in Indiana, with a reputation for square dealing wherever he has done business.

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Alvia G. Gray is a gentleman of sterling integrity, absolutely honest and square in all his dealings. He is an expert nurseryman and orchardist and has done a great service for the U. S. Government, having worked for years in connection with the Department of Pomology, developing and introducing new fruits.

W. E. COX, M. C., Third District, Ind.

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Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 29th, 1913.

ALVIA G. GRAY, Manager Gray's Nurseries, Salem, Ind.

Dear Sir—We send you cash in advance for stock wanted, because we know you always send stock all O. K.

GERMAN NURSERIES,

PER CARL SONDEREGGER.

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All quotations made herein are for cash with order. Remit in any way most convenient. Private checks accepted.

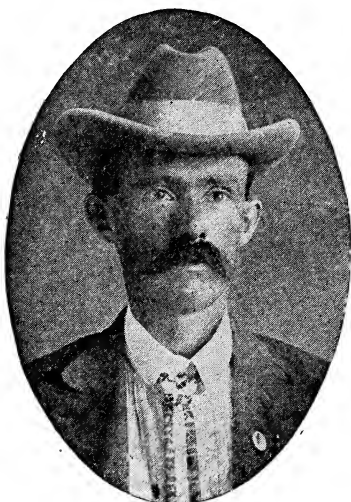
Always order real early while all lines are full, and bear in mind that all orders must be filled in "Barber shop order," first come, first served.

Yours for a prosperous season,

GRAY'S NURSERY,

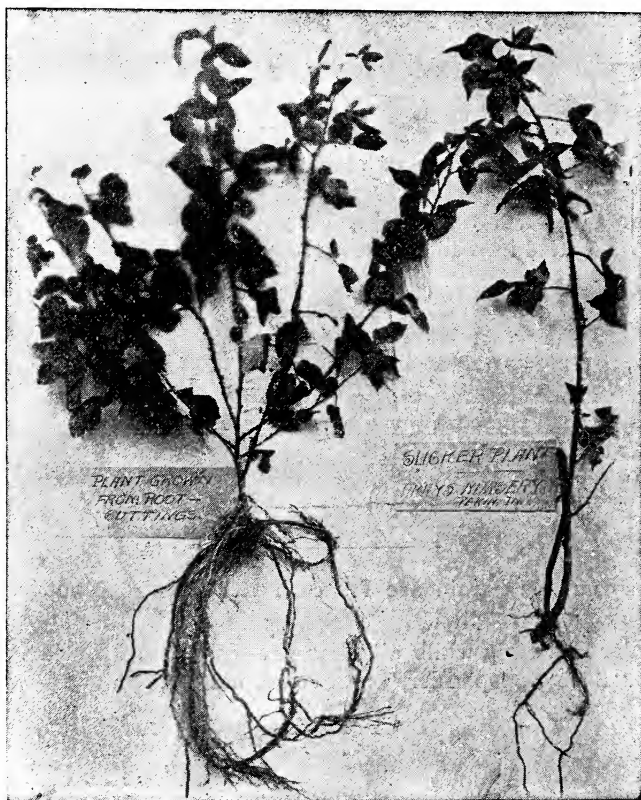
R. D. No. 4, Box 85

SALEM, INDIANA



ALVIA G. GRAY  
PROPRIETOR GRAY'S NURSERY

The two plants shown here were taken from adjoining rows where soil, cultivation and all other conditions were exactly alike, except the one on the right with one straight stalk was a sucker plant and the one left with branched top and good root system was a standard three and one-half inch root cutting, planted the same day that the sucker plant was set.



As root cuttings make a plantation with a system of roots absolutely perfect, it will come into bearing sooner, withstand drouth much better and produce more, larger and better fruit that will never dry and adhere to the canes, making the so-called "stick tights," therefore plant Blackberry Root Cuttings.